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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Tudan et al.

Serial No.: 10/086,177

Filed: February 26, 2002

Title: CXCR4 AGONIST TREATMENT OF
HEMATOPOIETIC CELLS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No.: 1250

Examiner: Bunner, Bridget E.

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1647

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on January 18, 2005, with respect to the above-referenced application. The period of time for responding to the Office Action was set to expire on April 18, 2005. The applicants petition herewith for a 3 month extension of time.

The applicants have considered each of the rejections raised and offer the following amendments and remarks in response. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

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Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 22 of this paper.